

LEGISLATIVE INTERIM COMMITTEES -- MAY 2019

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE		
Bill Title/Subject Matter:		INTERIM STUDY ITEMS
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:		Committee Members
Interested Parties:		
Code Reference:		
Description: The following items may be studied by the LECJ Interim Committee during the remainder of the year. 1) Domestic Violence a. Study effective ways to combat domestic violence, such as the possibility of designing an app like the SafeUT app that would work for domestic violence victims as described in the text of HB 427. b. Rep. Acton 2) Health Care Access for Inmates a. Study healthcare access and medication, especially birth control, for incarcerated individuals. Comprehensively evaluate healthcare delivery and access to medication in Utah's jail systems. b. Rep. Dailey-Provost/ Rep Moss 3) Privacy, Identity, Security, and Internet Fraud a. Study the implications of advancing technology on criminal justice related issues, such as prevention of catfishing scams and what the state’s policy should be on law enforcement’s use of biometric information to open electronic devices to acquire evidence. b. Rep. Robertson/ Rep. Romero 4) Vehicle Safety Inspections a. Study the effects of the removal of vehicle safety inspection requirements in the state, whether that has resulted in an increase in traffic accidents, and to what extent those accidents are due to safety equipment on the vehicles b. Rep. Riebe 5) Asset Forfeiture a. Revisit the proposed changes to asset forfeiture as outlined in SB 109, Asset Forfeiture Amendments, which was tabled during the session. b. House Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Standing 6) Firearm Safety a. Study possible changes to increase firearm safety in the state, including the process for notification, enforcement, and sentencing classification when a prohibited person attempts to purchase a firearm. b. House Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Standing/ Rep. Stoddard 7) Universities and Public Safety a. When major incidents occur on campuses the public safety of the campus often needs assistance with other public safety agencies. We need to make sure that there are agreements and plans in place to make sure that public safety is maintained and handled in the most correct and effective manner. b. Rep. Perry 8) Distracted Driving a. Study the effects of distracted driving in the state and explore options for reducing its effects. b. Rep. C Moss 9) Public Safety Communications a. Study the effectiveness of communications of law enforcement statewide through the Utah Communications Authority.		

- b. Rep. Perry
- 10) Recruitment, Training, and Retention
 - a. Study current issues and trends regarding recruitment, training, and retention of law enforcement officers. This study will be accompanied by proposals to address difficulties found in these areas.
 - b. Leadership

[Action: Rep. Stenquist made a motion to adopt the list and Sen. Reibe made a motion to open a committee bill file on asset forfeiture. Passed unanimously]

JUDICIARY

Bill Title/Subject Matter:		INTERIM STUDY ITEMS
	Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	Members
	Interested Parties:	
	Code Reference:	
<p>Description: The following items may be studied by the Judiciary Interim Committee during the remainder of the year.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Assessment and Treatment of a Substance Use Disorder <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>To study prohibiting a private entity from both: 1) assessing an individual to determine if substance use disorder treatment is necessary; and 2) providing the substance use disorder treatment to the individual (HB 359).</i> b) Rep. Shurtliff, study sponsor presented with substance abuse counselor Julie Motter. Believes private entities are overtreating low risk offenders (1st and 2nd time offenders) 2) Prosecutor Review Board <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>To study creating a prosecutor review board to investigate and report on complaints of prosecutor misconduct.</i> b) Rep. Judkins, study sponsor presented on prosecutor immunity. No questions from the committee. 3) Victim Address Confidentiality <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>To study creating an address confidentiality program for victims of violent crime (HB 451).</i> b) Rep. Pitcher, study sponsor. Skipped in committee by request of sponor. 4) Removal from Sex Offender Registry <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>To study the process for removing a non-violent offender from the sex offender registry database.</i> b) Sen. Weiler, study sponsor is concerned about grouping different categories into one pot and treating them the same in terms of removal from the registry. 5) Insanity Defense <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>To study modifying the circumstances under which a defendant may plead not guilty to a criminal offense by reason of insanity (HB 225).</i> b) Rep. C Moss, study sponsor presented with Neal Hamilton on personal case that is driving her to pursue insanity defense. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) Only 6 out of 53,000 cases ii) Sen. Hillyard, volitional vs. cognitive prong 6) Abusive ADA Lawsuits <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>To study how to reduce abusive lawsuits regarding the federal Americans with Disabilities Act (HB 308).</i> b) Rep. Thurston, study sponsor 7) Penalties for Not Paying Child Support <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>To study the appropriate criminal and civil penalties for a parent not paying child support (HB 450).</i> b) Rep. Lisonbee, study sponsor presented with Shelley Condreaut. 		

The following items may be studied by the Judiciary Interim Committee during the remainder of the year.

- 1) Uniform Guardianship, Conservatorship, and Other Protective Arrangements
- 2) Uniform Criminal Records Accuracy
- 3) Prosecutor Review Board
- 4) Penalties for Not Paying Child Support
- 5) Victim Address Confidentiality
- 6) Insanity Defense
- 7) Abusive ADA Lawsuits
- 8) Assessment and Treatment of a Substance Use Disorder
- 9) Removal from Sex Offender Registry
- 10) Substance Abuse by Minors

Added:

- 11) Asset forfeiture
- 12) Review of Appellate decision

[Action: Rep Lisonbee made a motion to adopt the list for study. Passed unanimously.]

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Interim Study Items
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	Committee Members
Interested Parties:	
Code Reference:	

Description:

The following items may be studied by the Health and Human Services Interim Committee during the remainder of the year.

1. Implementation Oversight
 - a. Medical cannabis
 - b. Medicaid expansion
2. Behavioral Health
 - a. Substance abuse, controlled substance abuse database, incarcerated individuals, civil commitment
3. Cost of Healthcare
 - a. Transparency of medical services
 - b. Prescription drug cost
4. Health Impacts of Nicotine Products
 - a. Vaping use among teens
5. Utah's Aging Population
6. Adoption Policies
7. Statutorily Required Reports and Sunset Reviews

[Action: Rep. Hollins made a motion to approve the interim list as outlined and Rep. Thurston made a motion to open bill bile on prescription drug cost. Passed unanimously.]

EDUCATION

Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Interim Study Items
Legislator(s) –Sponsor:	Committee Members
Interested Parties:	
Code Reference:	

Description:

The following items may be studied by the Health and Human Services Interim Committee during the remainder of the year.

1. Compulsory Education, School Absenteeism, and Truancy, HB 340
 - a. The committee will study issues including: differences between how local education agencies determine whether a student is considered absent for purposes of chronic truancy, the grade levels and ages to which truancy requirements apply, and efforts to develop uniformity in tracking data related to absenteeism and truancy statewide.
2. Addressing the Use of Electronic Cigarettes by Minors at School
 - a. The committee will study options for school districts and charter schools to reduce the use of e-cigarettes among students, including penalties (note this is a joint study item with the Revenue/ Taxation Interim Committee and the Judiciary Interim Committee).
3. Teacher Purchase of Supplies and Materials
4. Medicaid Reimbursement for Services Provided in Public Schools
5. Public Education Governance, Including How State Board of Education Members Are Selected
6. Applicability of Requirements Described in the Open and Public Meetings Act to School Community Councils
7. School District and Charter School Administrative Costs - funding formula and how reporting requirements on local education agencies affect costs
8. Early Learning
9. Technical changes for RISE testing

[Action: Rep. Robertson made a motion to approve the interim list as outlined. Passed unanimously.]